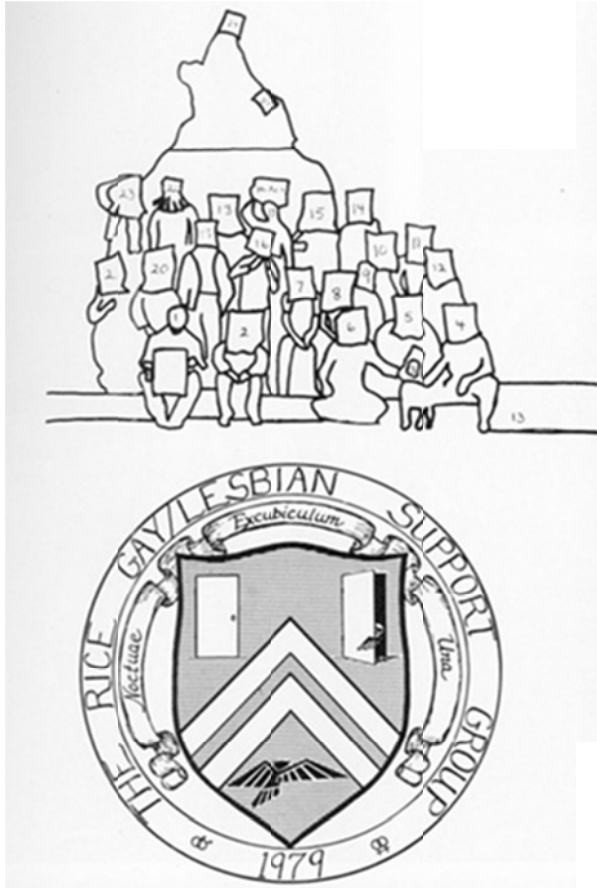


# Rice Gay/Lesbian Support Group



1. Harvey J. Spooner 2. J.Q. Public 3. Rin Tin Tin 4. Wilhelmina Marsha Rice 5. Wonder Woman 6. Valley girl with bagged face 7. Brainiac V 8. Anacin II 9. "Eggs" Ackley 10. Bruce Wayne 11. Dick Grayson 12. Lamont Cranston 13. The Shadow 14. Typical Rice Guy 15. Typical Rice Girl 16. Clark Kent 17. Rebecca of Sunnybrook Farm 18. Sappho 19. Plato 20. Damon 21. Pythias 22. L. DaVinci 23. Alexander the Great 24. Sit Down Willy, we got somethin' to tell ya . . . 25. The Advocate? Not pictured: approximately 10% of Rice students, faculty, and staff.



The Rice Gay/Lesbian Support Group has been a viable, though not highly visible campus organization since its inception and recognition by the Student Association in the 1979-80 academic year. We have a faculty advisor and are represented to the University by an Executive Committee consisting of five members. This year, attendance at meetings and other group functions has averaged 25 to 30 women and men, including undergraduate and graduate students, faculty, staff, and alumni.

We know from our own experience that the process of defining one's sexual orientation can be difficult and sometimes alienating. The purpose of the RG/LSG is summarized by the word "support." First, we seek to provide support to each other through our many group activities. Some of these have included "rap" groups, speakers on topics of concern, social events, cooperative efforts with gay organizations on other campuses, and seeing that Fondren Library secures unbiased literature on gay people and gay lifestyles. Second, we try to make our presence known on campus - for example, through announcements of meetings in the *Thresher* and by sponsoring panel discussions in several popular Psychology, Sociology, and P.E. courses. Through these efforts we hope to educate the Rice community as a whole on gay and lesbian issues, and to affirm the motto: "A Part Of - Not Apart From."